

Exhibit 8: Western Canada Transportation Strategy Highlights

Infrastructure Renewal/Development

Goal: *a transportation system that provides an equitable, cost-effective and reliable means of moving people and goods.*

Strategies:

1. Confirm the multi-modal strategic transportation system (and criteria) presented in this document through joint government-industry planning sessions and/or a symposium to forge agreement on region-wide transportation investment priorities.
2. Work with stakeholders to ensure that infrastructure planning and development promotes economic development and improved intermodal connectivity, flexibility and timeliness.
3. Collaborate with relevant stakeholders to implement technologies that improve efficiency and system reliability. *
4. Consider alternative approaches to transportation system management and governance.
5. Develop accessibility criteria and standards for rural and remote communities to guide investment levels and expectations regarding level of service.

Funding

Goal: *a stable framework for the long-term financing of investment in transportation infrastructure.*

Strategies:

1. Develop a framework for financing sustained investment in transportation infrastructure. This should include reviewing the role/responsibility of each level of government, identifying practical funding alternatives and maximizing the efficiency of existing infrastructure as a first priority.
2. Promote private sector partnerships where relevant.
3. Promote multi-jurisdictional financing of intermodal facilities, including public and private transport infrastructure.

* scope should include traffic/demand management, safety and infrastructure utilization